

Boy 'Beachcombers' Get Small Fortune At Waikiki

More or less publicity has been given to the so-called gold diggers of Broadway; less had been given to a newly organized group at Waikiki who literally are gold diggers, although their methods lack the subtlety of the Broadway sirens.

This Waikiki group consists of about half a dozen youngsters of about 11 or 12 years of age who during the past week have banded together to recover from the sands of Waikiki beach sundry nickels, dimes and quarters that careless loungers have let slip from their pockets and purses.

Employing a shovel and a screen instead of powder and peroxide is done in New York, these boys have sifted the sands of Waikiki from the Moana hotel to the Royal Hawaiian and with no small success.

The group of youthful gold diggers, or perhaps they might just as

accurately be called beachcombers, started operations in the Outrigger club canoe shed.

It was reported that their efforts met with early success, netting 40 cents which was immediately spent on candy and ice cream. They then moved down the beach to where the wealthy tourists are wont to recline. A half hour's digging and sifting brought them only one penny, so they moved back under the canoe shed and retrieved another 30 cents.

Their appetite for sweets having by that time been appeased, operations were suspended for the day and resumed the day following.

Their work continued to net them substantial profits and it is said that these boys are considering incorporating their type of endeavor into an established industry, such as the Broadway gold digging is said to be.